

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

JUAN VALENZUELA-BETANCOURT,

Defendant.

Case No. MJ22-347-MLP

DETENTION ORDER

Mr. Valenzuela-Betancourt is charged by complaint with one count of possession of controlled substances with intent to distribute. The Court held a detention hearing on August 2, 2022, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f), and based upon the reasons for detention stated on the record and as hereafter set forth, finds:

FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DETENTION

1. There is a rebuttable presumption that there are no conditions that the Court can set to ensure that Mr. Valenzuela-Betancourt is not a flight risk or a danger to the community pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3142(e).
2. Mr. Valenzuela-Betancourt stipulated to detention.
3. Mr. Valenzuela-Betancourt poses a risk of nonappearance due to a lack of

1 information regarding his employment, community ties, and residence. In addition,
2 he was not interviewed by Probation and Pretrial Services so his background and
3 recent ties to this district are not known.

4 4. Mr. Valenzuela-Betancourt poses a risk of danger due to the nature of the charge.

5 5. Based on these findings, and for the reasons stated on the record, the Court finds
6 that Mr. Valenzuela-Betancourt has not provided clear and convincing evidence
7 that he is unlikely to flee or that he does not pose a danger to the safety of the any
8 other person or the community if released.

9 6. The record does not effectively rebut the presumption that no condition or
10 combination of conditions will reasonably assure the appearance of Mr.
11 Valenzuela-Betancourt as required and the safety of the community.

12 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

13 (1) Mr. Valenzuela-Betancourt shall be detained pending trial, and committed to the
14 custody of the Attorney General for confinement in a correction facility separate,
15 to the extent practicable, from persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held
16 in custody pending appeal;

17 (2) Mr. Valenzuela-Betancourt shall be afforded reasonable opportunity for private
18 consultation with counsel;

19 (3) On order of a court of the United States or on request of an attorney for the
20 government, the person in charge of the corrections facility in which Mr.
21 Valenzuela-Betancourt is confined shall deliver him to a United States Marshal
22 for the purpose of an appearance in connection with a court proceeding; and
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1 (4) The Clerk shall direct copies of this Order to counsel for the United States, to
2 counsel for the Defendant, to the United States Marshal, and to the United States
3 Pretrial Services Officer.

4 Dated this 2nd day of August, 2022.

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6 MICHELLE L. PETERSON
7 United States Magistrate Judge
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